

Agenda Item: 1.a

Meeting Date: September 4, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: City Commission

Through: Jennifer K. Bramley, City Manager

From: Phyllis Gorshe, Library Director

Date: 2025-08-27

Subject: September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

Presenter(s): Phyllis Gorshe, Library Director; and members from the GFWC North Pinellas Woman's Club

Staff Recommendation: Share proclamation regarding recognizing September as Library Card Sign-Up Month, and upcoming events at the Library.

Strategic Themes: Community Amenities

Boards & Committees: Library Advisory Committee

Budget Impact: N / A

Past Action: Every September, the Dunedin Public Library promotes Library Card Sign-Up Month.

Next Action: Share Proclamation and promote September as Library Card Sign-Up Month.

Attachments: [A. Library Card Sign-up Month Proclamation \(2025\).pdf](#)

Background: The Library Card Sign-Up Month campaign started in 1987 as a response to then Secretary of Education, William Bennett, who stated: ".... Let us have a campaign; Every child should obtain a library card and use it."; in an effort to emphasize the importance of library cards to a child's education, and to combat illiteracy.

The Dunedin Library celebrates Library Card Sign-Up Month every September, including events such as the Friends of the Library Mini Sale and book distribution at Story Times, by the GFWC North Pinellas Woman's Club.